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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

YASUI et al

Group Art Unit: 3747

Serial No. 10/727,056

Examiner: Johnny H. Hoang

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For: CONTROL SYSTEM AND METHOD, AND CONTROL UNIT

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

June 24, 2005

Sir:

The Office Action dated May 31, 2005 has been received and carefully noted. The following remarks are submitted as a full and complete response thereto.

The Office Action of May 31, 2005 was a restriction requirement, requiring election between one of the following two inventions:

Invention I, recited in claims 1-11, 33-43 and 65-75, drawn to a control system for controlling a plant; and


Invention II, recited in claims 12-32, 44-64 and 76-96, drawn to a control system for exhaust system.

Applicants respectfully elect to prosecute the subject matter of Invention I, recited in claims 1-11, 33-43, and 65-75, drawn to a control system for controlling a plant. Applicants therefore respectfully request timely consideration on the merits.

Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application on the non-elected claims at any point prior to the termination of the proceedings in the subject application.

In the event this paper is not being timely filed, the applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension together with any additional fees may be charged to Counsel's Deposit Account 50-2222.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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